Seattle's Central Waterfront Plan Charrette 2004





Split Decision



A case study using the Coleman Dock to connect the edge of the waterfront to the

Team Narrative

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Team Split Decision chose to focus on the Colman Docks as a testing ground for reproducible strategies along the waterfront that would tie the edge to the city while simultaneously creating a distinctive waterfront.

In this design Yesler becomes the central intermodal corridor connecting bus and monorail passengers to Colman Dock—now a signature Seattle landmark as a re-positionable, floating terminal. Extending the city's grid, a new block of mixed use development and public open spaces faces onto a waterfront promenade. The central opening within the ferry terminal will be used as a first-of-its-kind kelp bio-filtration forest, cleansing the polluted runoff from the queuing area above. Pedestrian, trolley, and bicycle traffic will be separated from automobile thru-routes, providing ample space for outdoor café/vendor areas and for ferry passenger drop off.

Driving along Highway 99 will become an eco-revelatory experience with Fish-o-Vision providing glimpses of passing sea life. Interconnected subterranean parking under both private development and public open space will replace the current viaduct parking, making the most of underground space to provide inviting pedestrian waterfront corridors for visitors, workers and residents alike.

Curious about how a retooled viaduct might improve the waterfront, team members also drafted visions of a curvilinear viaduct that would be a wonder, rather than a wall.

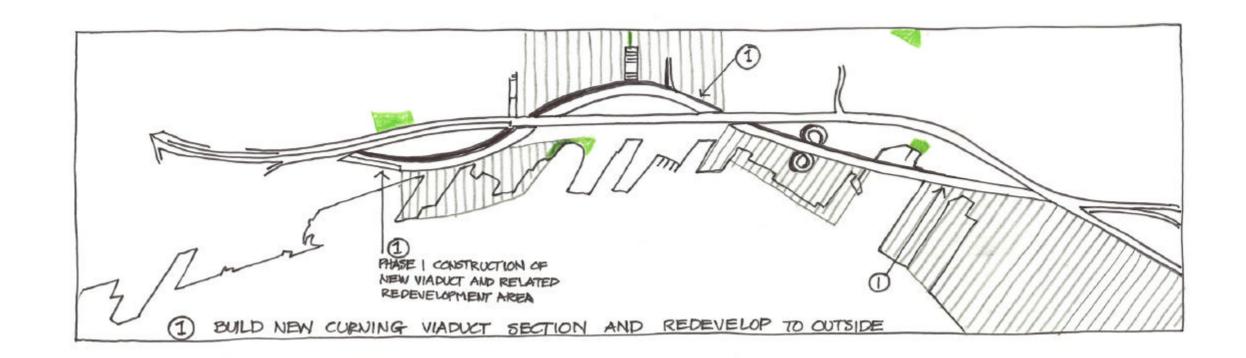


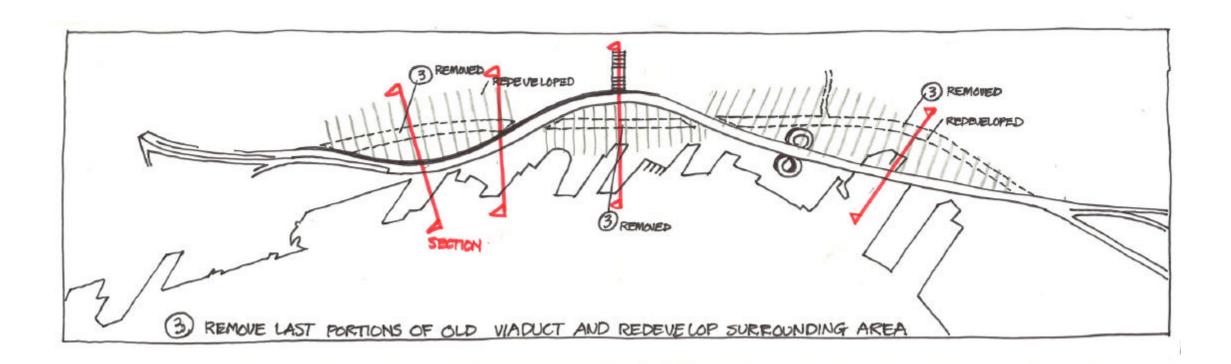
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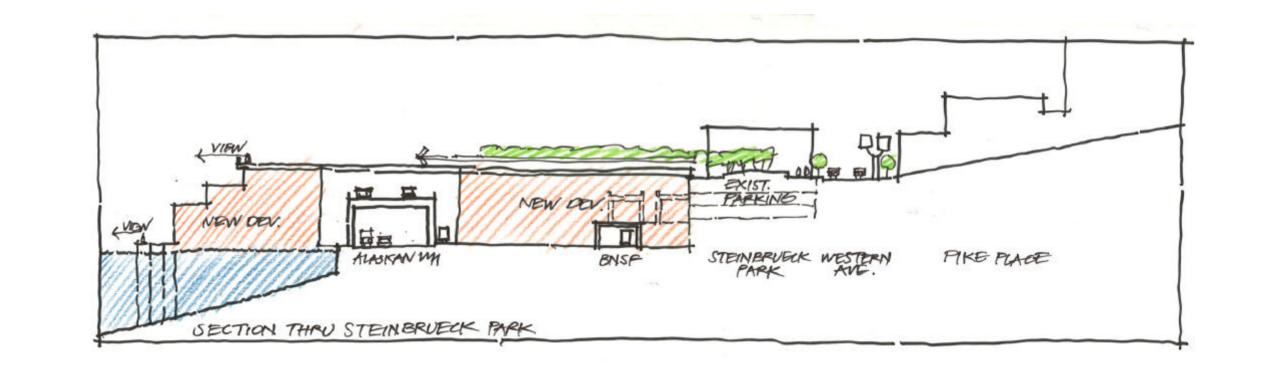
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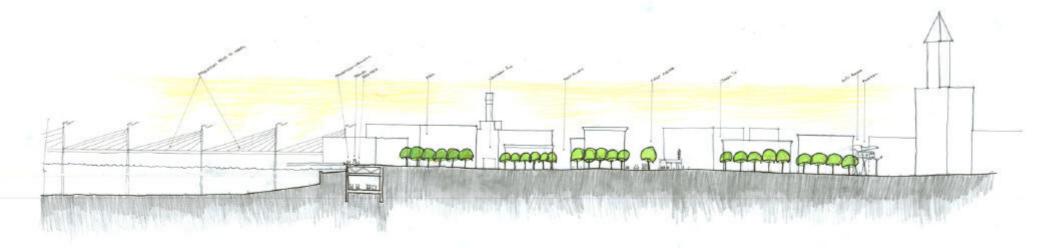
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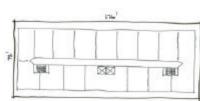






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Wined the Development
Retail/Comparied—street level
Residental—3 to 5 floors
16 with perfloor

Parking - 2 levels below grade

